

# FISCAL NOTE

## SB 73

January 26, 2007

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Redefines *Tennessee HOPE Foster Child Tuition Grant* as the cost of attendance less any gift aid (scholarships and grants from any source) with the total grant amount not to exceed the cost of tuition and mandatory fees at eligible higher education institutions. Student loans and work-study awards shall not be considered gift aid.

### ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

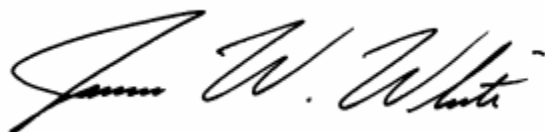
**Other Fiscal Impact – Increases the expenditure of lottery proceeds earmarked for scholarships and awards by \$50,500 for FY06-07 and \$50,500 for FY07-08.**

#### Assumptions:

- As required by the bill, these provisions apply to all Tennessee HOPE Foster Child Tuition Grant awards made on or after July 1, 2006.
- Approximately \$33,000 would have been awarded to students for the fall 2006 semester if the law had been in place on July 1, 2006.
- An additional \$17,500 (estimated five students x \$3,500) would have been awarded for the spring 2007 semester.
- The total award amount for FY06-07 to be paid retroactively is estimated to be approximately \$50,500.
- 100% of students would retain the HOPE Foster Child Tuition Grant from year one to year two.

### CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James W. White, Executive Director